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REFLECTION OF IMAGE OF INDIA AND GERMANY IN EACH OTHER`S HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a meeting held recently between the Indian and German experts to discuss the way in which the images of their countries could be better reflected in each other's high school education;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the decision taken in the meeting;

(d) whether the Government have also asked the NCERT to study as tothe manner in which India was portrayed in text-books of various countries; and

(e) if so, the details of suggestions given by NCERT in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. A meeting was held from March 12-14, 2001 under the German Festival in India 2000-01.The school text books of India and Germany were reviewed by the experts of the respective country. Papers on the analysis of the textbooks were presented.

(c): Main recommendation was made to constitute a joint group and plan to implement the changes in the images of India in German textbooks and Germany's image in Indian textbooks in High School Education.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.